

# The Lexington Advertiser

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR

**Good Cheer  
For 1933 . . .**

At the beginning of the year—when those new resolutions loom large—include a firm resolve to drain every bit of happiness and contentment the New Year offers. And may we wish that it be the Happiest New Year for you.

**"The  
Winchester Store"**

**Swinney Hardware Co.**

**Lexington,  
Miss.**

### Gratifying Response Advertiser's Offer

The Advertiser's special offer in accepting anything of marketable value in the payment of delinquent subscriptions, giving two years for \$3.00 has been gratifying to us in the utmost respect. Subscribers have signified they want to pay up back dues by coming in, many of them from long distances, several living 18 and 20 miles from Lexington.

Subscribers have brought in marketable commodities ranging from canned fruits to dressed hogs. One colored reader, E. D. Coleman, Route 2, the past week personally bringing canned fruit, potatoes, corn and syrup to apply on the liberal offer, and asking that his subscription be continued by all means as he wanted his name on the weekly mailing list.

Acceptance of the offer has been made in spite of bad weather and road conditions, and assurances have been received from scores of sources stating they would bring in what they had and asking about acceptance. The Advertiser wishes to state that the highest market price will be allowed on all commodities mentioned and for the benefit of those who failed to note them, you can bring pig, turkeys, geese, chickens, canned goods, syrup, sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes, peas, soybeans, corn, wood, pine, or anything of a marketable nature for credit.

The Advertiser is your paper—it serves every community in the county. If you are a reader, and want to pay your back dues, take advantage of the offer that holds good until February 15, 1933. Also if you have any news, write us, telephone or see one of our representatives.

### December Rainfall Was 9.41 Inches

The rainfall during December was 9.41 inches, according to J. B. Walton, of this city, who keeps track of all weather observations as one of his hobbies. Mr. Walton has an official gauge and is able to measure rainfall in the minutest readings. He stated this is one of the heaviest rainfalls of any one month since he has been keeping the record. The heavy sleet that reached a

### Forest Fire Patrol Established in Holmes

State Forester Fred B. Merrill was in Lexington Monday conferring with the Holmes County Board of Supervisors relative to giving employment under the R. F. C. for forest fire control as adopted at the December meeting. Appointments were made of approximately seven men to the five districts in the county with exception of District No. 1, the largest, ten men being selected.

These men will work three days a week under the unemployment agency. They will first visit all landowners in their district and have a volunteer agreement signed among the landowners that they will lend every precaution against wood fires. Each community where an outbreak is found, will cooperate towards control measures. Also the State Forestry Commission will lead its efforts in any way possible. J. S. Knight, of Goodman, was appointed by the commission and will have charge of the work in Holmes county. Constant patrol and other inspection is made to prevent any destruction of timber by fire.

The Board of Supervisors appointed the following men, whose duties will be to organize their communities following a meeting at a central point in each district, and plans mapped out in detail as to each individual's patrol:

Beat 1—Clinton Boothe, G. A. Bailey, Earl Barton, Carl Boothe, Lee Cade, Lee Peacock, W. L. Autry, Seamon Beville, J. C. Frost, D. F. Shanks.

Beat 2—J. T. Vaughn, John C. McNeer, Jim Holland, W. H. Sharp, Malcolm McLellan, Steve Rhynne, Shep Ellis.

Beat 3—Tom Edwards, W. R. Hocutt, K. D. Henry, Albert Tidwell, Walter Rogers, I. B. Upshaw, J. T. Wynn.

Beat 4—J. T. Barrett, Perry Boyd, J. B. Nixon, Vince Jesse, Bilbo Carpenter, Harold Brock, J. A. Travis.

Beat 5—C. B. Wilson, Boyd Sheppard, B. Lehman, E. J. White, W. L. Kyle, T. Z. Whitehead, M. Seay.

depth of approximately 4 inches was not included in the moisture content, as he stated he had no way of determining the amount of water that followed the thawing. In event you can, add it to the above and you will have the total rainfall for December.

### M. & F. Bank In Hands State Banking Dept.

The Merchants and Farmers Bank and Trust Co., of this city, that has been in process of liquidating the past year following payment of a twenty per cent dividend last January, and due under agreement to make a similar payment this year on January 1, 1933, has turned its affairs over to the State Banking Department. The action was made necessary, W. R. Ellis, of the institution stated, on account of the prevailing financial conditions which made it impossible to meet the payments due depositors on that date.

The State Banking Department has not appointed a liquidating agent for the institution, but same will be named within the next week or ten days, it was stated. W. R. Ellis has had charge of the bank's affairs the past year.

The bank officials have been assured by the State Banking Department, stated W. R. Ellis, that a substantial dividend out of the funds assessed by the department against surpluses of all state banks, will be utilized in the payment of the dividend which is hoped to be made within the next 60 or 90 days. Rumor of the payment has been set at twenty-five per cent, although local officials would not verify the report. The amount of the dividend could not be ascertained under the present plans, and local officials would not specify any percentage.

Application was made to the State Banking Department the past week by the institution to take over its affairs effective January 1, 1933, it was stated. This action will place the bank in the hands of the department as of 1932 which will allow it to share in the funds assessed during the past year by the department against the state banks. Under the law this amount is three per cent of all banks' surpluses and is disbursed under the supervision of the banking department.

The last published statement under date of September 30, 1932, made by the Merchants and Farmers Bank and Trust Co., showed the following:

**Resources:**  
Loans and discounts, \$404,421.44.  
Stocks, bonds, securities, \$162,905.50.  
Guaranty fund with state treasurer, \$2,000.00.  
Other real estate owned, \$8,680.80.  
Due from other banks, \$15,110.98.  
All other items of resources, \$619.16.  
Total, \$593,737.88.

**Liabilities:**  
Capital stock, \$100,000.00.  
Surplus fund, \$24,995.55.  
Individual deposits subject to check, \$1,393.72.  
Savings deposits, \$10.80.  
Time certificates of deposit, \$183,146.84.  
Cashier's checks, \$34.25.  
Bills payable, \$284,096.72.  
Rent account, \$60.00.  
Total, \$593,737.88.

The following statement published December 31, 1931, a few days prior to payment of the 20 per cent dividend, was

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### Annual Farm Meeting Lexington January 10

The annual meeting of the Holmes County Agricultural Development Club will meet in Lexington Tuesday, January 10, according to announcements mailed out this week, following a call of G. H. Love, president of the organization. The gathering will be held at the court house at 9 o'clock, at which time a round table conference will be held under the leadership of C. C. Smith, district agent. A luncheon will be held at noon in the Roary Club dining room. T. M. Williams, county agent, will be in charge of the meeting.

Conditions and outlook of the agricultural phases of Holmes county will be discussed in detail by planters and farmers from all areas. The committees and topics named by Agent Williams are as follows:

Committee of the Whole—O. W. Nixon, chairman; J. M. Howard, G. W. Stigler, A. M. Pepper, N. B. Hooker, H. P. Watson, W. K. Durden, E. J. Spengler, W. O. Barrett, J. D. Williams, H. H. Johnson, H. L. Nichols, L. E. Barr, B. S. Beall, W. H. Fincher, Eugene Cole, Martin Smith, J. R. Brown, V. Reinhard, J. H. Walton, T. J. Brown, A. J. Stevens, A. P. Yarbrough, Ed Atkinson, W. H. Hoover, P. S. Milton, W. C. Downer, M. C. McDannel, D. W. Grimes, J. T. Skelton, P. M. Downer, H. B. McGee, J. H. Rogers.

Cotton—R. L. Peaster, chairman; W. D. Hammett, W. T. Kimbrough.

Corn—W. B. Lundy, chairman; J. C. Lindsey, H. I. Cowser, Pope Ramsey, E. S. Stigler.

Soils—E. L. Hines, chairman; O. D. Hooker, C. T. Bailey, W. S. Shipp, W. W. Byrd.

Soybeans—Frank W. Gwin, chairman; J. M. Kimbrough, Joe H. Moore, C. G. Combs, James Cunningham.

Oats—E. F. Rathell, chairman; H. S. Terry, G. S. Beall, Marvin Stanley, Walter Frost.

Hay—Joe Alexander, chairman; A. B. Archer, J. R. Peaster, Walter Moore, Cecil Spivey.

Dairying—Earl Fowler, chairman; J. M. Tate, Walter Carnathan, Cleveland McLellan, J. S. Morris.

Orchards—K. D. Henry, chairman; J. R. Booth, W. B. Peacock, T. J. Brown, I. S. Hill.

Hogs—Henry Waterer, chairman; L. W. Parker, K. H. Diggs, S. V. Farmer, A. E. Ellington.

Farm Seed—J. T. Thomas, Jr., chairman; John S. Shurlds, H. A. Spivey, Claude Keirn, C. G. Campbell.

Beef Cattle—C. V. Maxwell, chairman; L. H. Cade, Dick Cross, M. S. Rogers, B. W. Humphrey.

Work Stock—M. S. Rogers, chairman; A. B. Holder, A. Jacobson, Cal Coleman, A. E. Swinney.

Forestry—T. B. Shepherd, chairman; E. B. Guess, S. E. Sample, D. C. Lundy, C. C. Pahlen.

Truck Crops—B. W. Moore, chairman; W. M. Taylor, R. D. Nabors, H. C. Hudson, R. E. Irby.

Pastures—W. E. Word, chairman; J.

### Roy Lyon Has Message To Holmes Taxpayers

Roy Lyon, tax assessor, has a message of interest to taxpayers of the county relative to their personal assessment for 1933. He also calls attention to several changes in the law that is contained in his letter. It follows:

"All taxpayers are requested to give in their assessment when called upon for same. This will assure you that your assessment is correct and turned in accurately. This will save time and money for your field deputies are hired for only the actual time that is required to help get up this information to place on the tax roll. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

"There are some changes in the new blanks.

"The age for road tax has been changed from 18 to 50 years to 21 to 50 years. All mechanical household refrigerators are to be assessed this year; namely, gas, electric and coal oil operated models instead of only electric refrigerators as heretofore.

"The poll tax age remains the same; 21 to 60 years.

"Please study the following list and you will be better prepared to give in your assessment.

"Classes of personal property:

"Horses (colts under 3 yrs. old foaled in Miss. exempt.)

"Mules and Asses (colts under 3 yrs. foaled in Miss. exempt.)

"Jacks and Stallions.

"Automobiles: Make, Model, Age.

"Motorcycles, carriages and bicycles.

"Wagons, carts, drays and other wheeled vehicles.

"Storage Tanks, Gasoline, Oil and Kerosene.

"Refrigerators, Mechanical Household.

"Radio Receiving Sets: Make, Style, No. Tubes.

"Pianos: Make, Style, Age.

"Musical Instruments, Phonographs, Organs and all other.

"Guns and Pistols (one gun exempt.)

"Watches and Clocks: Make, No. Jewels, Case.

"Total Number Things Taxed—

"Diamonds and jewelry.

"Household furniture (\$250.00) exempt.

"Heating, lighting, water and sewerage systems, and baths.

"Gasoline Filling Station equipment, fixtures, and machinery.

"Hotel Cafe, and Restaurant furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

"Office and Store furniture, fixtures and equipment.

"Merchandise, and all stocks of goods

W. McMorrough, T. E. Murtagh, H. S. McKie, R. A. Wilkes.

### Prisoners Transferred To New County Cage

Transfer of the county prisoners numbering ten negroes, who had been serving sentence of the J. E. Gwin farm near Keirn, was made Monday by Sheriff A. B. Holder. They were lodged in the local jail where they will be kept until the latter part of the week and again transferred to the new county cage near Ebenezer in District No. 3.

The board of supervisors adopted an order at its December meeting for building of the structure. Funds of the R. F. C. were used in giving employment to labor in construction. The prisoners will be used in road work. Renshaw Thomas was appointed as superintendent of the camp, and J. S. Tate, assistant. The cage is built on land owned by the county in the district.

The county has had arrangements with J. E. Gwin for a number of years in regard to the prisoners. Transfer this week of all prisoners is made in accordance with the new regulation, officials stated.

and materials on hand.

"Machinery, tools, implements and equipment.

"Manufactured products or articles made by party assessed.

"Boats, schooners, launches and other water craft.

"Raw materials and supplies for manufacturing purposes.

"Fertilizers, insecticides, and other lines, equipment, etc.

"Debts or notes due taxpayer bearing interest in excess of 6% per annum.

"Money on hand \$—.

"Bonds, personal or corporate, bearing interest in excess of 6% per annum.

"Miscellaneous: Agricultural implements (over \$2,000.00), abstract books, etc.

"Street railway, bus and electric light and power lines and equipment.

Grand Total Value (How much subject to levee tax \$—).

"We are ready now for you to come in and give us your assessment if you had rather file same in the office. It is open every day from 8 A. M. until 5 P. M.

"We want to help you get your property on the rolls correctly. It is very important that same be written up in the right school district the right road district and the right beat.

"Your very truly,

"ROY LYON,

Tax Assessor of Holmes County."

John D. Parrish of Acona was a business visitor in our city Monday.

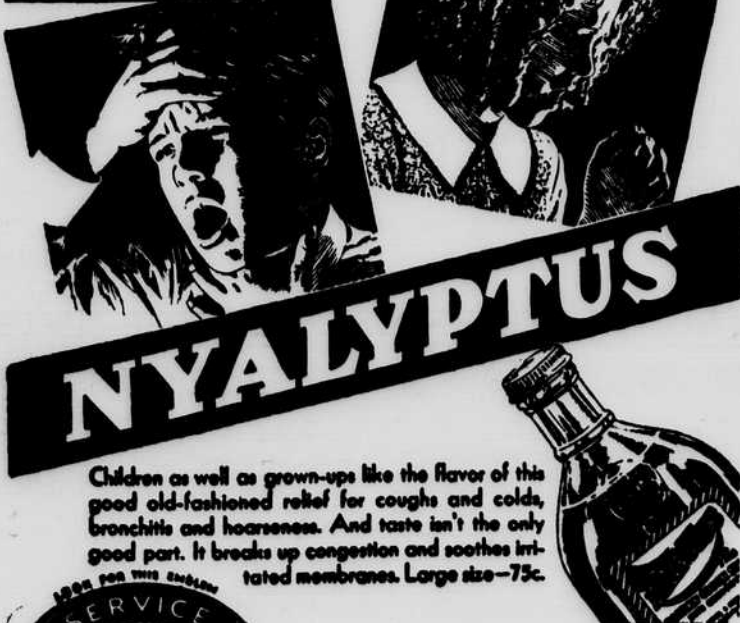
**Lost—Big Black Persian Cat.**

**Reward offered if returned. Mrs. R. M. Stephenson, City. 1t.**

**GREETINGS  
THANKS and**



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AND IT'S GOOD  
FOR  
BOYS AND GIRLS  
WHO  
COUGH**



**Peoples Drug Store**  
WILLIAMS and JOHNSON, Props.  
"QUALITY FIRST—SERVICE ALWAYS"  
Lexington Mississippi

### A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL

Again it is our privilege and pleasure to wish you Happiness, Health and Prosperity for 1933. We are grateful for patronage and loyalty of the past years. We hope to serve you in 1933, with Quality Groceries at the Lowest Prices. Best wishes to everybody.

### Friday And Saturday Specials

\$1.50 Figaro Meat Smoke	95c
Old Rose Flour, 24 Lbs.	60c
Peacock Flour, 24 Lbs.	60c
Franco-American Spaghetti, Can	10c
10 Lbs. Irish Potatoes	25c
Cotton Seed Meal, Sack	95c
Chief Oatmeal, 3 for	25c

Try Our Come-Back Coffee

**WHITE'S CORNER GROCERY**  
Telephone No. 150 Lexington, Miss.

### OUR BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

During 1933, we wish you every success . . . your full portion of the luck of the year, and bountiful rewards for your earnest endeavors. We thank you for your friendship and patronage during the past year and extend our hope for a continuation of our mutual contact in 1933.

**The Fincher Co.**

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